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Mount Holly Chit Chat

Fall
October 2011

Village Baptist Church – Worship 9:30am, Pastor Glenn Davis 259-2440

E. Wallingford Baptist – SS 10:00 am – Worship 11:00 am Evening 6:30 pm Phone 259-2831 www.ewbaptist.com

Saint Patrick's Mass Wallingford Sat 4 pm Sun 9:15 am Rev Justin Baker, Pastor & Rev. James Dodson, Parochial Vicar Ph. 446-2161

Annunciation Parish Mass, Ludlow, Sat 4 pm, Sun 8 am & 11 am **Proctorsville** Sun 9:30 am, Rev. Romanus Igweonu Ph. 228-3451

Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce – Marji Graf 228-5830

Town Library: Sat 9-1 Sun 2-4 Mon 3-7 Wed 3-7 Mt. Holly Town Library, P.O. Box 93, Belmont, VT 05730 Call 259-3707

Town Office Hours: Mon. to Thurs. 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Closed Fri. & Holidays Phone & Fax 259-2391

Town Treasurer's Office Hours: Mon 8:30 am – 12:00 pm Wed 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm and by Appointment 802-259-2391

Burn Permits: Call Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward 786-3408 or 259-2211

TRANSFER SITE: Wed. 4 pm – 7 pm & Sat. 8 am – 2 pm FALL/WINTER HOURS – Effective October 15 Sat. Only

Sat 1st **Turkey Bow & Arrow Only Season ~ Deer Archery Season ~ Woodcock Season ~ Moose Archery Season**

Sun 2nd Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station 7:00 pm

V.F.W. Post #10155 meeting, Route 103, Ludlow 2:00 pm

5th Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library 7:00 pm

Mt. Holly School Board Meeting, Ludlow Elementary School 7:00 pm

Union #39 School Board Meeting, Ludlow Elementary School 7:00 pm

7th **Moose Archery Season Ends**

Sat 8th **Roast Beef Supper**, benefit Mt. Holly Community Asso., Odd Fellows Hall **Yom Kippur** 5:00 pm

Raccoon Hunting Season

10th Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building 7:00 pm

11th Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont 9:00 am

Selectmen's meeting, Town Office 7:30 pm

Fire Dept. Drill, Mt. Holly Fire Station 7:00 pm

Mason's Meeting, Mt. Moriah Lodge, E. Wallingford 8:00 pm

12th Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station 7:00 pm

Mt. Holly PTC Meeting, Mt. Holly School Library 3:00 pm

Mount Holly Grange **Columbus Day ~ Leif Erikson Day** 7:30 pm

ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont 7:00 pm

13th Fire Dept. Work Detail, Fire Stations Mt. Holly & Belmont **US Navy Est. 1775** 7:00 pm

14th **US Air Force Capt. Chuck Yeager shatters the sound barrier in a top-secret Bell X-1 Rocket Plane in 1947**

Sat 15th **Moose Season – Regular Begins**

Sun 16th **Oscar Wild 1854 ~ National Boss Day**

17th Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office 7:30 pm

18th Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont 7:00 pm

Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Stations 7:00 pm

19th **Revolutionary War Ended 1781**

20th **Moose Season – Regular Ends**

21st **Dizzy Gillespie 1917**

Sat 22nd **Roast Pork Supper**, benefit Mt. Holly Vol. Rescue Squad, Odd Fellows Hall 5:00 pm

9 Day & 16 Day Shotgun or Bow & Arrow Turkey Season ~ Red & Gray Fox Hunting Season

Mink, Skunk, Red & Gray Fox, Raccoon, Coyote, Opossum, Weasel, Otter & Muskrat Trapping Season

Deer Archery Season Ends

Sun 23rd **United Nations Day Founded 1945** 7:00 pm

24th Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building **Pablo Picasso 1881** 9:00 am

25th Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont **Operation Urgent Fury 1983** 7:00 pm

Fire Dept. Work Detail, Fire Station 7:00 pm

26th ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont **Navy Day**

27th **Statue of Liberty dedicated 1886**

28th **Late Crow Season Ends**

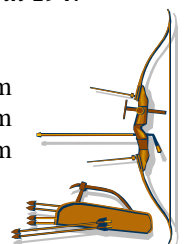
Sat 29th **John Keats 1795 ~ National UNICEF Day ~ 9 Day Shotgun or Bow & Arrow Turkey Season Ends**

Sun 30th **Happy Halloween** **Trout & Landlocked Salmon Ends**

31st * * * * *



Columbus Day ~ Leif Erikson Day



Emergency Services

Mount Holly Fire Dept.	259-2700	or	911	Poison Control	(802) 658-3456
Mount Holly Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward	786-3408		259-2211	American Red Cross	773-9159
Mount Holly Rescue Squad	775-3133	or	911	Game Warden – Jeff Whipple	773-9101
Mount Holly Constable Paul Faenza			786-4404	Health Officer - Frank Bickford	259-2885
Animal Control Deputy, Rutland County			775-8002	Vermont State Police	773-9101

Send ARTICLES to: Diana Garrow, 3379 Shunpike Rd., Mt. Holly, VT 05758 **Phone** 259-2314 or **E-Mail** to chitchat@vermontel.net Check out **Mt. Holly Web Site** www.mounthollyvt.org

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October Birthdays: 1st –Darica Pierce. 4th–Matt Lillard. 8th – Lindsay Durgin. 9th –Brian Buffum * David Hendee. 11th –Jodi LaPenna-Seward. 12th –Ryan Smith. 13th –Shari Lewis. 15th – April Ely. 17th –Billy Devereux. 20th –Brett Dana. 21st –Heather Pond * Kenneth Taylor. 22nd–Danielle Lillard. 23rd –Jessica McMahon. 25th –Andrew Taylor. 26th –Nathan Turco. 27th –Joe Parker * Jessica Anthony * Connie Niles * Alicia Hendee. 28th – Steve Lewis. 29th –Susan Marshall.



October Anniversaries: 1st–Jim & Millicent Johnson (34) 9th – Ron & Karen Blodgett. * Ron & Kelly Tarbell. 10th –Tom & Kristin Veysey * Gary & Lori Norton * Wesley & Lisa Hupp. 18th –John & Amy Taylor. 25th –Roger & Diana Garrow (37) 30th –Lawrence & Sherry Kelley. 31st –Jodi & John Seward.

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The Annual Membership meeting is held on the second Monday in September in the Mount Holly Library at 7 p.m. The meeting includes the annual report and election of the Board of Directors

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Celebration of Life for Pat Nye

Thank you all for your patience over the past few months. Our family is ready to host a "Celebration of Life" for Pat on Saturday October 15th from 4-7 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont.

Join us from 4-4:30 for drinks, music and lively chatter. At 4:30 Will and some close friends will help us remember what a wonderful woman Pat was and invite you to share your memories. Paper and pens will be available if you would like to share in a non-public way... we would love to hear how Pat touched your life.

We will finish the evening with great food and wine... feel free to bring something light food-wise (finger food, dessert) and be SURE to bring something to drink and toast to Pat's long and courageous battle with cancer (remember, white wine was her fave... but bring what you like). We hope to see you all there!

In lieu of flowers, we ask donations be made to the **Vermont Center for Ecostudies** for their continued work with Vermont Loons. You may donate online

<https://npo.networkforgood.org/Donate/Donate.aspx?npoSubscriptionId=1000625&code=homepage> or at the event.

Will and Amber Nye (and on behalf of Leigh Taylor, Pat's daughter)

Bruce A. Rounds



Bruce Allyn Rounds, 70, of Brandon, died Monday morning, August 29, 2011, at Rutland Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Bruce was born on December 2, 1940, in Mount Holly, the son of Earl and Shirley (Martin) Rounds.

He graduated from the Wallingford High School and earned his Associate Degree in Civil Engineering from Vermont Technical College. Bruce went on to use his skills as a construction superintendent for the Aztec Corp., superintendent of public works for the Town of Essex and director of public works for the Town of Brandon prior to his retirement. He was an avid hunter, fisherman and outdoorsman.

Bruce is survived by his loving wife of 28 years, Helen; three daughters, Julianne M. Heisler and her husband Charles of Milton, Michelle Parent of Jericho Center and Kristie Martell of Starksboro; a son, Michael Frechette of Grand Rapids, Mich.; six grandchildren, Cynthia Martell, Josh Heisler, Melinda Martell, Ethan Parent, Caleb Parent and Alaina Heisler; a great-granddaughter, Lillian Marie Martell; and his loyal companion, Toby Keith

Rounds.

Memorial services were held at Aldous Funeral Home in Rutland at 11 a.m. on Friday, September 2, 2011, with burial following in Maple Grove Cemetery in East Wallingford. There were no calling hours. Friends and family shared their memories. Burial followed in the Maple Grove Cemetery in East Wallingford, where fraternal services were given by Mount Moriah Lodge #96 F.& A.M. A reception was held at [VFW](#) Post 648 in Rutland.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Activities Department, c/o the Rutland Health and Rehabilitation Center, 46 Nichols St., Rutland, VT 05701.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

To all who knew we were expecting..... Cedar Mariah Garr was born September 16th at 12:59 p.m. at home to Katie Kaminski and Kenn Garr. Her sisters Rowan and Sequoia are excited to have a new baby sister!! Thanks to all who were thinking of us.

Mount Holly School Mentor Program

The Mount Holly School Mentor Program is looking for a "few good men". A 1 hour per week commitment is all that is required.

Please contact Lily French at Mount Holly School 259-2392 if you are interested. Raye Lin Collins

Mount Holly School Holiday Concert will be Thursday, December 15th, at the Mt. Holly School Gym at 6:00 pm

Substitute Teachers Wanted

Black River High School Middle School; Mount Holly & Ludlow Elementary Schools are looking for Substitute Teachers

It is a great way to earn money and have a flexible schedule.

To apply, go to the RWSU at 8 High Street in Ludlow. Tell them you would like to apply to be a Substitute Teacher. Or call (802) 228-2541 for more information. All applicants must be high school graduates and pass a criminal background check.

Mt. Holly Historical Society Needs Your Help

The Mount Holly Historical Society is in need of help moving some items from the Blacksmith Shop to the Perkins House. We will be meeting at the Blacksmith Shop on September 28th at 5:30 in the evening. If you can spare some time to help us, please call Dottie at 259-2491 or Judy at 259-2443. Thank you, Judy Nevin

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Attention Mount Holly Residents & Taxpayers

We have a person or persons who feel it is necessary to vandalize road signs along Belmont Road. Over the summer someone spray painted several road warning signs between Tiffany Road & Teer Road, and for the second time in a month, someone has fired shots through the stop sign at Gates Road & Belmont Road. Aside from the safety issues, these signs cost the town money.

If you have any information about these incidents please call the Vermont State Police @ 773-9101 or the Town Constable @ 786-4404. Thanks, Paul Faenza, Constable



The MT Holly Sno*Drifters needs your help!

The MT Holly Sno*drifters would like to continue the New Year's Eve tradition by providing fireworks for the community celebration.

We are looking for donations: What's needed: Baskets filled with theme items such as: Dog basket (dog bones, dog toys, treats, leash etc.) Vermont basket (maple syrup, pancake mix, maple candy, jelly etc) Sports theme (Red Sox, Bruins or Patriot things) Pamper me basket (candles, lotions, shower gels) Food baskets (Italian, Mexican etc...) Garden baskets, Scrap book baskets, kid's basket, cleaning basket, car wash basket, race car theme (you get the idea)

You don't necessarily need to use a basket. You could use a bucket, a cat litter box, anything you can put things in. All items need to be new, so use your creative imagination. These Baskets will be displayed and auctioned off on Cider Days in Belmont. (Similar to a Chinese auction) Saturday, October 8th 10:00 - 4:00 and Sunday, October 9th noon to 4:00. Drawings for the baskets will be on Sunday, October 9th between at 4:00 PM (you do not have to be present to win)

All proceeds will be donated to New Year's Eve fireworks display. Please call one of the phone numbers listed below if you can help, we will be glad to pick up your basket. You can also donate items or gift certificates and we will make the basket or use the item for door prizes. Cash and checks are always welcome. The MT Holly Sno*drifters appreciate your support. We feel confident that our community will pull together to support this fine event, as they did last year.

Mary and Curt Marechaux, 802-259-2900 or email MHSnowdrifters@aol.com (Ideally baskets should be dropped off at our house between October 2nd and October 7th.) If you need to drop off a basket or item before that call: Alison Blodgett 259-3367, Jessica Alberty 259-9130, Carl Trinci 259-2636. Thanks for your support, The Mount Holly Sno*Drifters.

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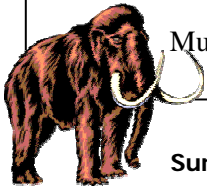
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CALENDAR OF MUSEUM EVENTS

2011

All Programs are at the Blacksmith Shop, unless otherwise noted, beginning at 2:15 pm
Museum Open For Browsing August ~ Saturdays 12 - 2 pm and Sundays (after program) 2 - 4 pm
Year Round ~ 2nd Weekend of the Month



Sat Oct 8 ~ CIDER DAYS ~ On the Green Museum open for browsing 10 am - 4 pm

Sun Oct 9 ~ CIDER DAYS ~ On the Green Museum open for browsing Noon - 4 pm

Sat Dec 3 ~ FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS AUCTION AND DINNER Tickets and information: Doris Reiser 259-2722.

Mount Holly Community Historical Museum Belmont, Vermont
Perkins House ~ White Blacksmith Shop

Visit our website: www.mounthollyvtmuseum.org

Mt. Holly Rescue Squad First Responders Class

Due to a lack of response for the First Responders Class we have decided to cancel classes for this fall and hopefully if there is interest will hold them next spring. We need 6 or more people to have a class.

For Sale: Dry-Firewood – Rock Maple
Under Cover - \$190 per-cord – Call
John Cole, Mt. Holly, 802-259-3825

Assorted unused Southwark Metal Mfg. Co.
Ductwork for forced hot air system/ cheap.
Call DB evenings 259-2486



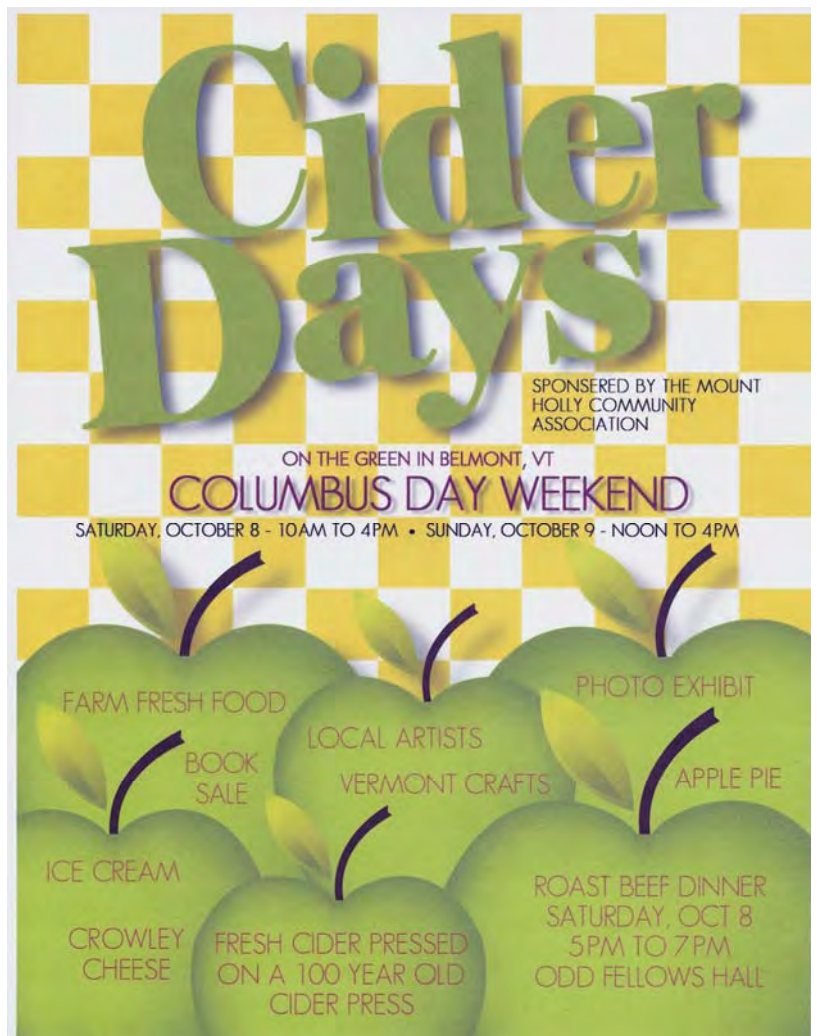
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Mount Holly Community Association

This year's **Cabaret** on Labor Day weekend was said to be the most special Cabaret ever. It was one of those magical connections between the audience and our very talented vocalist, Alexa Fila, and the bassist, Joe Solomon. Many thanks to both of them for sharing this amazing evening with us! The MHCA is also very grateful to all of the fabulous bakers, who prepared the scrumptious desserts, and to the volunteers who made sure that all of the guests were well served throughout the evening. A special note of appreciation should be extended to Madeleine Fay for coordinating the entire evening. Thank you everyone!

On Saturday, October 1st, there will be a **Photo Preview** of all of the submissions for this year's Photo Contest for the annual Mount Holly Calendar. The opening for the exhibit of entries in this year's photo contest will begin at 7:00 pm in the Community Room on the lower level of the Library & Community Center building. Come join us for refreshments, as you enjoy an advance look at the wonderful photos submitted for *this* year's contest.

Cider Days, the biggest event on the Mount Holly Calendar, is coming up in a few short weeks...Saturday, October 8th and Sunday October 9th. Each year the Community Association celebrates the harvest season with an old fashioned cider pressing on the village green in the village of Belmont. The antique cider press, which utilizes the "rack and cloth" method of pressing cider, is a unique attraction, along with the wonderful craft and food vendors who fill the green with the pleasures of the fall



Come join the Ghosts & Goblins...
&

Gypsy Reel!

The MHCA Halloween Party
Friday, October 28th at 8:00 pm

In the

Library & Community Center
The Belmont Crossroads

Admission

With costume- \$10

Without- \$12

(BYOB)

season.

Another favorite activity of Cider Days is **voting** for your favorite photographs for the **2013 Mount Holly Calendar**, which will be taking place both Saturday and Sunday in the Community Room of the Library & Community Center building. The 2012 calendars will also be on sale in the library and on the Green.

On Saturday, October 8th, once you've exhausted yourself shopping, voting, and sampling the cider, and pie with cheese, or ice cream, you'll be ready for someone else to cook your dinner! Go no farther than the Odd Fellows' Hall for a fabulous **Roast Beef Supper** served family style...seatings at 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm. The cost is only \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

Please join us for all these events...there is no better way to spend a beautiful autumn day than immersing yourself in some truly old fashioned traditions at Mount Holly's Cider Days!

The MHCA's annual **Halloween Party** (for adults only) will be held on Friday, October 28th at the Library & Community Center. **Gypsy Reel** will be raising the roof this year for what is surely one of the most fun events on the MHCA calendar! Each year the costumes have become more and more creative and everyone gets to dance the night away with their favorite witch or vampire, the Tin Man, or maybe even Cinderella! Dress up (admission \$10), or not (admission \$12), and come join us for a fantasy evening beginning at 8:00 pm. The evening is BYOB...

Campaign for this Historic Building

The Board of Directors of the Mount Holly Community Association would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the **Vermont Arts Council**. The grant for \$17,000.00, which they so generously gave to cover the cost of the handicapped access to the lower level, as well as the new bathroom in the Community Room, was recently received by the MHCA. We cannot adequately express our gratitude to the VAC for making it possible to provide this important access to our lovely new Community Room...thank you VAC!

*Capturing the Beauty of
Mount Holly*

**Ninth Annual
Mount Holly Photo Contest**

**Opening Reception
Saturday, October 1
7:00 p.m.**

Wine and Cheese

**Be the first to vote on the photos
for the 2013 Mount Holly Calendar!**

For more information call
259-2007 (Janet Warren) or
259-2596 (Annette Lynch)

accepted the resignation of Robin Demers from our board of directors. Robin has been a valuable member acting as Vice President and volunteering most Sundays in the library. Thank you Robin you will be missed. We wish you the very best in your new home in Rutland.

New Vice President

Board member Joan Bradley has agreed to take over the responsibilities of Vice President of the library board. Thank you Joan for stepping up! We appreciate your enthusiasm for the library and willingness to volunteer.

New Books

New books are added to our collection every month. We try to honor the requests of our patrons. Many people have let me know which authors are their favorites and I find that many of you have similar tastes in reading pleasure. We also try new authors and many of our picks are from the Indie Bound recommend list and the New York Times best seller list. Books we can't buy may be available through the inter-library loan program so be sure to leave me notes listing books you would like to read.

Playgroup A reminder that Lori Jensen from the Rutland County Parent Child Center continues to conduct a playgroup at the library every Tuesday from 9:30 to 11:00 am. The playgroup has become a great place for parents and children birth to age five to meet and get to know one another. Lori has stories, songs and fun activities to stimulate children. Don't miss this free opportunity to have fun with your baby and share parenting stories.

MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY

Shouts & Whispers – Nancy Wilson

Thank you to Nancy Wilson for the wonderful entertaining talk about the history of her family in Mt. Holly. Nancy took on the difficult task of editing her great grandfather's letters written home during the Civil War. Hearing the process of writing the book and the additional history of her family added to the enjoyment of the book. The book *Shouts and Whispers: The Civil War Letters of D.D. Priest of Mount Holly, Vermont* is available to check out at the library. Additional copies for purchase are available at Annie's Book Stop in Rutland.

Book Donations

We are gearing up for our last book sale of the year. The library relies on those donations to supplement their meager budget. We thank you all for your generosity and ask that you drop them off as soon as possible. After October 3rd we will not be able to accept book donations as we prepare for the sale. Donations will be accepted again starting in November.

A Sad Good-bye

The Library Board and I are very sorry to have

*Capturing the Beauty of
Mount Holly*

**Ninth Annual
Mount Holly Photo Contest**

Photos will be exhibited at the
Mount Holly Community Center/Library
October 1 to October 23, 2011

**Voting on the photos for the
2013 Mount Holly calendar
takes place October 1 to 9, 2011**

**Opening Reception
Saturday, October 1
7:00 p.m.**

**Judges' Awards and Popular Prize
will be announced
Noon, Sunday, October 9**

For more information call
259-2007 (Janet Warren) or
259-2596 (Annette Lynch)



Stephanie Stouffer Gallery

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Elders, a non-profit organization that helps Vermonters. The Savvy Senior actors role play to demonstrate ways consumers can protect themselves from being targets of fraud, as in how to handle suspicious phone calls or telemarketing inquiries. The mission of the Community of Vermont Elders (COVE) is to promote and protect a higher quality of life for the state's seniors. COVE advances its mission through advocacy and education. It

Cider Days Book Sale

Our last book sale of the year will be Saturday and Sunday, October 8th and 9th from 10 am to 4 pm. Hurricane Irene shortened our last book sale so we still have many books in all genres. Families have been particularly generous in donating children's books. Don't miss this opportunity to stock up on reading material for the winter ahead. As always "Great Books at Great Prices for a Great Cause"!

Welcome to New Volunteer

Paul Tesik, full time resident living on Shunpike Road, has agreed to become our newest library volunteer. Thank you and welcome, the board and I appreciate you giving your time to the library. Volunteers seem to enjoy their time at the library meeting new people and getting first chance at new books to read.

Savvy Seniors to Perform

Thursday, October 20th the Savvy Seniors will present a program at the Senior Lunch held in the Odd Fellows Hall at 12:30. A team of senior volunteers will provide comical performances about issues that touch all of us. The Savvy Seniors is one of the many programs offered by the Community of Vermont

Yoga Classes

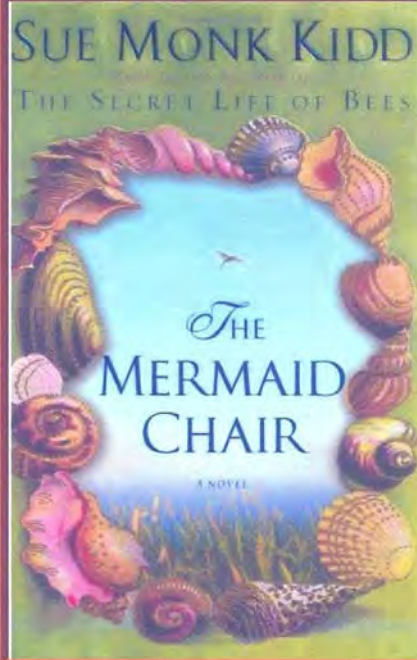
**At The Mt. Holly Library & Community Center
Wednesdays, 5 to 6 pm**

**This class is appropriate to all levels of
experience**

**and is a great way to unwind after a hard day's
work!**

Galen Miller, Instructor

Cost of the class is on a sliding scale.
Call 417-7631 for more information.



THE MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY READING GROUP

**MEETS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12
AT 7:00 PM**

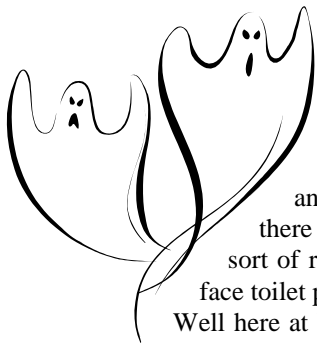
**AT MINGA DANA'S HOME
1040 STRAIGHT ROAD**

The book is "THE MERMAID CHAIR"
by Sue Monk Kidd
Stop by the Belmont Post Office
and pick up a copy

Please join us.
At the moment Straight Road is washed
away at the culvert North of Minga's.
Approach Straight Road from 155 not
Maple Hill Road

works with and for elder Vermonters and the organizations that serve them to identify, interpret and respond to critical issues that impact the dignity, security and well-being of seniors. For more information about the Senior Lunch program in Mt. Holly contact Sandy Montgomery.





Vermont Ghost Hunters

October, the time for Harvest, Halloween, and Foliage. Some of us look forward to this time of year as the air gets cooler, the days get shorter and our gardens peak. But people back in Celtic Ireland did not like this time of year as the spirits would come out and as folklore reads, damage the crops and gardens with frost. So the people would dress up spooky on October 31 to scare the spirits away from their valuable gardens. To this day families abound do this and here in the US we still dress up for Halloween to sort of recreate this activity. Now we dress up our kids and harvest candy treats from our neighbors' cupboard or face toilet paper and other tricks...Trick or treat.

Well here at Vermont Ghost Hunters we encounter spirits, ghosts, and demons year round as we help people, families, and businesses in four states understand a haunting in their home, in their towns, or at their businesses. A few years ago some of us got hooked on the reality TV show Ghost Hunters because we could relate due to some sort of ghost story that may have been handed down through our families generations or our own personal experience. For my wife and me it was the later. Both of us as children in different parts of the country went through an encounter with a ghost that heightened our curiosities so when Ghost Hunters started doing it we said to each other, "Hey we can do that". So we founded Vermont Ghost Hunters. A paranormal investigative research group based here in Mt Holly Vermont.

To this day we are helping people as they call us for help because they are frightened by a ghost or something they can not explain. We typically only take cases that are seemingly human spirits. We are not demonologist and do not tamper with that or the Occult.

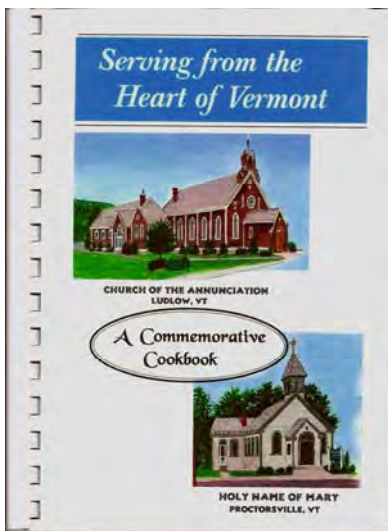
We use several different types of electronic equipment to scientifically capture video, audio or other evidence to assist our clients. Then we offer help to each case specific. Sometimes we are able to prove something spooky as something natural happening with the house or the environment. And sometimes we offer proof of a haunting. Either way the clients get a piece of mind they're not going crazy. Our services are free and our crew is trust worthy. Check us out on the back page listings of the Chit Chat under Ghost Hunters. Yours Truly, Joe and Jaime Fitzgerald. VTGH Founders www.vermontghosthunters.com

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Cookbook Fundraiser

Members of the Parish Council of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church in Ludlow are selling cookbooks as a fundraiser. The lovely hard-cover cookbooks are a compilation of more than 365 mouth-watering recipes from parishioners, their families, friends, inns, restaurants and merchants from the local area, and make great gifts for a head start on your Christmas shopping.

The proceeds of this fundraiser are to be used for a memorial garden on the grounds of Annunciation Church, honoring the former parishioners of St. Mary's church of Mount Holly which was destroyed in a fire in December 2007. It is hoped that the memorial garden can include a statue of the Blessed Mother in a quiet meditation area. Every cookbook sold helps toward this goal. The cookbooks sell for \$15 and can be

ordered via email at abvmcookbookfundraiser@msn.com or by calling Ann at (802) 259-3222.

Lasagna Dinner -- October 8th

There will be a lasagna dinner at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church at 7 Depot Street in Ludlow on Saturday October 8th. Seatings are at 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. Adults \$10 ~ Children 6 and under \$5

BINGO

**MT. HOLLY VOLUNTEER
RESCUE SQUAD**

September 25th, 2011

Mt. Holly Elm. School
School Street, Mt. Holly, VT

**Doors Open @ 12:00 P.M.
Games Start @ 1:00 P.M.**

\$20.00 for 20 games ~ 9 cards per game

CASH PRIZES
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Questions Contact
Vicki Seward - 802-259-2810
E-Mail - MHVRS@AOL.COM



Where Was God On 9/11?

I recall a conversation that took place on the street in Belmont in those horrific days following 9/11. Someone said, "I lost friends in those buildings, reverend. Where was God on this one?" I said, "Right where He's always been: watching, weeping, listening, just as He did to the cries of His only son in death's final moments. He always hears the cry of faith and receives **anyone** who'll trust Him." The reply was, "Well, I've still got a lot of questions." It reminded me of Mother Theresa's comment when asked why God allows such suffering. She said, "When I see Him, He's got a lot of explaining to do." With a smile, I thought, "Maybe that's why she lived so long." Every time she came near to dying I can imagine God saying, "Hold up! Don't let her die yet. I don't think I can handle her right now."

A misconception that people have in dealing with life's tragedies is that it's wrong to ask why – that a Christian simply accepts and never questions. Abraham, Moses and David all interceded and struggled to understand God. But the lives of these men model for us a

total dependence on God, even in the midst of questioning. God never turns His back on those who ask honest questions...sincerely seeking is acceptable to God. Obviously **disbelief** is sin but it's not a sin to doubt, because in the presence of God you may ask any question you want.

Perhaps the reason that God doesn't always give us the answer to the "whys" of our existence is that He knows we haven't got the capacity to understand the answer. In learning to depend on God, we've got to accept that we may not know all the answers, but we know who **knows** the answers.

There is a mystery to it. I have to ultimately admit that I don't know God's reasons. I have to accept by faith that God is a God of love and mercy and compassion even in the midst of suffering.

I've looked into the eyes of a young man my own age horrible disfigured by cerebral palsy and as I've changed his bed sheet I've asked, "Why?"

I recall standing at the bedside of a child who was dying and asking, "Lord, why?" When we watch the devastation left by tornadoes, earthquakes and hurricanes we can't help but ask ourselves, "why?"

The Bible says God is **not** the author of evil but that it is a mystery. There is something about evil that we will **never** understand this side of eternity. The Bible also says there **is** a real devil who has great power and that the human heart is evil and capable of almost limitless evil when it is cut off from God and the moral law. The prophet Jeremiah said, "The heart is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked. Who can know it?" That's us without God. And that's one reason we each need God, for only He can change our hearts and give us the desire and power to do what's right.

Events like 9/11 and Irene not only teach us about mystery but also about community. Tragedies that could tear us apart can instead **unities** us in comfort, compassion and in outpouring of sympathy and help. We experience a bit of what God feels when he sees the suffering on this planet. The other lesson is one of frailty and the brevity of life. I doubt that any of us ever dream that this will be our last day on earth.



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for more information call: **Lynn Anderson 259-2758**

The cross tells us that God understands our suffering because He took upon himself all of our sins, failures and sufferings. And our Lord, on that cross, asked that very human question, "why? My God, my God, why have You forsaken me?" And he received His answer. He knew. To redeem the world. To save you and me from the consequences of our personal evils. To shout to us from that cross, "I **love** you and I know and share your heartaches, sorrows and pain." Easter points us beyond the tragedy of the cross to the hope of the empty tomb. Mystery, community, frailty. Lessons that remind us that our hope in this world is tied to the fact that God has triumphed over evil, death and hell. That is our **hope**! Is that hope yours? ~ Pastor Glenn

Thanks to Denise at the Mount Holly Post Office

Carl and I would appreciate a "shout out" of thanks publicly to Denise at the Mount Holly Post Office. With no electricity at our house on Lake Ninevah Road, we were concerned that Carl's prosthetic leg, which requires charging each night (it has a small computer chip in the knee enabling easy movement), might not be available to him. He has an amputation above the knee on his right leg. As the Post Office had electricity, we took the prosthesis to Denise and asked her for help. She was more than willing. She plugged it in at 4:30 pm when she left and unplugged it in the morning when she returned. We picked it up around 9 am and Carl was able to put it on that morning again and walk with two legs.

- an unusual request and an enormously helpful response from a fine public servant!! Connie Beresin



LPCTV Volunteers Help Muck Out the New Facility

LPCTV would like to thank the volunteer work crew and the Town of Ludlow for cleaning out its future facility in the Ludlow Community Center, following the recent flood. The storm left about 6 inches of water was left standing in LPCTV's space, next to Black River Good Neighbor Services. "We are very lucky that we did not have all of our equipment in there - it would have been fried", said LPCTV's Patrick Cody, adding that the water rushed beneath the double doors on the side of the building.

Immediately following the flood the Town of Ludlow maintenance crew removed the standing water from LPCTV's space. On a recent Saturday morning, a volunteer crew consisting of Fred Marin, Sharon Bixby, Brigid Sullivan, David Hoeh, Randy Bixby, Leslie Bixby, Josh Bixby, & Ralph Pace pitched in by "mucking out" the space and

cleaning it up. "The flood is a set back, for sure, but we are still determined to get in there and resume work soon", Cody said. To do that, it needed to be cleaned out. I applaud everyone who rose to the occasion to get that piece done." LPCTV is scheduled to complete Phase 1 of its project in December of this year. The station has also been busy recording and archiving videos and images related to the flood and subsequent recovery effort. It is planning a community dinner event in October, where it will be including a screening of some of the documentation to date. Details on the event are soon to follow.

Community Guild Bazaar

This is a belated but sincere thank you to all who contributed to the success of the Community Guild Bazaar held on August 6th. Special thanks to those who donated prizes for our raffles.

Winners of the quilt raffle:

Ron Betts - hand embroidered quilt

Pam Schoch - a gallon of Gary Cole's maple syrup

Sindee Williams - a \$50 gift certificate to Harry's Restaurant

Marcy Tanger - a Judy Nevin basket

Brigid Faenza - Crowley cheese

Winners of the mini raffle:

Cathy O'Dell - Candle Scents potpourri (donated by June Capron)

Ty Murray - jewelry by Dorothy Swezey Hurst

Sherri Geimer and Betty Klimock - Plymouth cheese

Dennis Devereux - plant from Bushey's Nursery

The ladies of the Community Guild meet on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 9:00 am at the Odd Fellows Lodge. If you craft, knit, crochet, sew, quilt (or would like to learn), we would love to have you join us.

Thank You

The Mount Holly Newsflash would like to extend Congratulations and Thanks to our Constable, Fire Dept., Rescue Squad and Highway Dept. for doing such an exceptional job dealing with problems Irene created. Don't be afraid to stop and tell them that you appreciate them even if you didn't need them. They are there when it counts. Credit is Due! Randy Bixby

Hurricane Irene Devastates Vermont But Not The Spirit Of Those Who Live Here

Hurricane Irene may have devastated Vermont, however, not the spirit of MT Holly and Belmont. The sound of thunder of the crashing rocks and logs and the rapid river rising over Route 155 will be forever embedded in our minds. But, the outreach and support from the fire department, friends, neighbors helping neighbors and community will always be in our hearts.

Those who offered water, food, housing, hospitality, muscle, financial support or a shoulder to lean on; it was greatly appreciated during our time of need. We realize that this devoted support system is really an extended family.

My family and I are blessed and proud to be a member of this wonderful, caring and generous community. We cannot express our gratitude enough.

Thank you for all you have done to make this experience have a positive outcome. We could not have done it without you. Linda, David and Vincent Guerrera & Bessie and Angelo Centini

Mount Hollyday Craft Fair

**December 9-10, 2011
9 A.M. - 4 P.M.**

**Vendor Applications Available
Sherri 259-3800**

Mount Holly Constable Update

I would like to express my thanks to all our residents, volunteers, and emergency responders for all their dedication and support during Hurricane Irene, and the days that followed. So many people volunteered their time to make sure that our community and those around us received adequate supplies and services. On the first day of the storm, I coordinated efforts with Fire Chief Keith Hawkins and other department personnel to set up a shelter and command center at the Belmont Station. Notifications were made to local and state agencies throughout the day. Fire personnel checked several homes for possible evacuations, and kept us informed on road conditions. Eleven people utilized the shelter that afternoon. By nightfall, everyone had been relocated to local homes since the Red Cross was not able to travel to our location with cots & blankets due to road washouts. Over the next several days I worked with Jeff Teter, our Road Foreman and the rest of the town crew, updating road closures daily and ensuring that all washouts were clearly marked. Thanks to Randy Bixby for sending out information on the Newsflash. On Wednesday & Thursday we received water, blankets and MRE's from FEMA, via the Vermont National Guard. Thanks to all those who came out to unload the trucks, especially Josh & Leslie Bixby & Ethan Young. After taking care of our own town needs, we put the word out to surrounding communities and subsequently delivered several truck loads to Proctorsville, Cavendish, Plymouth, Shrewsbury & East Wallingford, as well as Black River Good Neighbors. Thanks to Aaron Sanborn & Wes Hupp for donating their time, trucks and trailers.

On another note, I would like to commend the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for their remembrance of the tenth anniversary of 911. The community prayer service at the Belmont Baptist Church was moving and eloquent. Thanks to Pastor Glenn Davis for his reflections and to the musicians who performed so many patriotic hymns.

Thank you for your continued support. Paul Faenza, Constable/Emergency Management Coordinator, Town of Mount Holly

Guidelines for Failed Septic Systems

The Wastewater Management Division has five regional offices that can provide assistance and answer questions about wastewater systems, water supplies and the permitting process. The new guidelines advise anyone who has an onsite sewage system to take the following actions if they find wastewater above ground:

1. Contact your town health officer. Your town office can provide you with the appropriate name and phone number.
2. Anyone who has a wastewater system that continues to have surfacing of household waste after the water recedes should take steps to prevent people and animals from entering the contaminated area.
3. As much as possible, take steps to prevent surfacing wastewater from flowing toward wells or off your property.
4. If you have a pump station as part of your household system, do not immediately pump the wastewater from the septic tank until it is known that the water table has dropped to an acceptable depth. An elevated groundwater table may cause an empty tank to collapse or shift in the ground.
5. Hydrated lime (also known as calcium hydroxide) may be applied to help disinfect the area. Lime is caustic so you must follow the instructions, wear rubber boots, gloves, goggles, and other protective clothing, and prevent people and animals from exposure.
6. Contact your ANR regional office and staff will assist you through the process of replacing the failed wastewater system and will provide information on how to obtain a permit if one is needed. Contact information can be found at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/staff.htm#regional>
7. A licensed designer will need to design the wastewater system if the failed system needs reconstruction or replacing. Licensed designers who are professional engineers may be found in the phone book or on the Vermont Secretary of State website at: <https://secure.vtprofessionals.org/roster/default.asp>
Licensed designers who are not professional engineers are sorted by county at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/ST/SiteTechList.pdf>
8. A guidance document about the general process for determining whether a wastewater system requires reconstruction or replacement may be found at: <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/protection/Guidance2011Guidancefor%20WWCollectionTreatment&DisposalSystemDamagedbyFlooding.pdf>

Safe Drinking Water After the Flood: Private drinking wells that were subject to flooding should be tested for bacterial contamination. Contact your Health Department district office or town health officer for a free test kit and disinfection instructions. Until a test confirms that your water is safe, boil water for one minute before use in drinking, cooking, making juice or ice, washing fruits and vegetables and brushing teeth. This also applies to water that is dispensed by a refrigerator system. Shower with caution. Avoid getting water in eyes, mouth and wounds. Do not allow children to swallow bath water if on a boil-water notice.

Residents who get their drinking water from a public system should look for boil water or other instructions put out by their own system.

If there is a smell of petroleum or fuel, do not use water at all for cooking, bathing or washing. Use bottled water or water from a known safe source. Call the Health Department drinking water program at [1-800-439-8550](tel:1-800-439-8550) for consultation and testing information.

For more information about drinking water safety and health concerns after a flood, go to the Health Department website at <http://healthvermont.gov/enviro/water/flood.aspx>

For more information about flood clean up and mitigation and to download a copy of the new guidelines, visit the flood page on the ANR website at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/site/html/flood.htm>

Dennis Devereux

To all those who helped support the Mount Holly School Garden Club at the Farmer's Market over the summer of 2011 -- a big THANK YOU from all the ***budding*** gardeners at the school!!!



TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY NEWS

SELECT BOARD ~ September 13, 2011 ~ Paul Nevin, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Raymond Tarbell and Jim Heald were present.

1. The minutes of the regular meeting of August 09 and the emergency meeting of September 05 were reviewed. There were no corrections or additions. The minutes of both meetings were approved.

2. Highways

- Salt Shed property. The town is

waiting on Deb Daniels. Paul Nevin is scheduled to go to the Planning Commission next week.

- MUTCD 2009 changes: There are proposed changes to and elimination of some of the signage deadlines. This is still in comment phase; details in the Federal Register.
- Hurricane Irene update. There were 13 impassable roads from hurricane damage, all passable as of last Friday. There are still culverts to be worked on, and a lot of finish work to get roads in shape for the winter. The Board agreed that the work needs to be done and told Jeff to proceed with bringing the roads back to pre-disaster. Some specific notes: Station Road: High bridge safety is questionable, so it remains closed. Jeff will have the State review the bridge.

Station Road (other end): the river has changed course and even small

amounts of rain cause water to flow across the road. A few hours with an excavator may help. Freeman Brook Rd: ANR approved the removal of fill from the streambed to rebuild the road, but that may no longer be an option. Jeff will call to confirm; at the FEMA meeting it seemed that getting fill out of streambeds may still be an option.

- Patch Hill Road residents wrote requesting the town assist in repairing the private road. The Select Board cannot include that road in the town's FEMA requests, but the residents can request FEMA aid as individuals. They will be advised to do that.
- Belmont Road culvert: unclear if this would qualify for FEMA aid; Jeff will cover it with the FEMA project officer to see if it can be

included as a project.

- The Road Crew and the Select Board were commended for their efforts to get the roads back up and running so quickly.

3. Report of Treasurer.

- David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated August 31, 2011 showing cash balances of \$3,125,069. August is the biggest month for collection of property taxes, thus the large difference from last month.
- Outside Audit: The 2009 and 2010 town audits are complete. Fire Dept. and Rescue Squad are complete. The auditor is completing the setup of 2011 on the computer (QuickBooks Premier software) and will install it all on the town's computer and provide the training for David and Diana
- Annette Lynch will obtain the name of another software product which was suggested at a town officer's conference as being better for government accounting than QuickBooks.
- Paul will ask the auditor for a special meeting date (October 3), in order to combine trips for setting up the computer and a presentation to the Select Board. Fire and Rescue audits to be included.
- In response to questions, it was noted

- a. There are a few additional items that need to go up to the auditor to complete the 2011 year, then it should all be done.

4. Solid Waste:

- Special additional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) days were set up for Rutland County, at the Rutland Town transfer station, for post-Irene disposal. Information was sent out on the Newsflash.
- Fall/Winter Hours: The last Wednesday hours will be on October 12.
- HHW Collection: Saturday, October 08, 8am to noon.

5. Town Office Fuel Prebuy: The town signed contracts for fixed price agreements at 2.399 for propane and 3.554 for fuel oil.

6. Listers. No issues to report.

7. Planning Commission:

October 2011 Mount Holly Chit Chat

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

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SELECT BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

**October 03, 2011
6:00 pm**

AGENDA

- 1. Auditor's reports and presentation**

MOUNT HOLLY TRANSFER STATION

FALL/WINTER HOURS

EFFECTIVE

OCTOBER 15, 2011

SATURDAYS, 8 am to 2 pm

Last Wednesday is October 12

MOUNT HOLLY PLANNING COMMISSION

The terms of two members of the Planning Commission end in November 2011.

Appointments to the terms ending in November 2014 will be made at the November Select Board meeting. Interested individuals should contact the Select Board, P.O. Box 248, Mount Holly, email mthollysb@gmail.com, or phone 259-2391 by November 7.

The Planning Commission meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:30 pm.

- Steve Howard presented the Board with the revised Subdivision Regulations for the Board's approval. He noted this was the result of 3 years of effort with many people contributing. The concept of a subdivision 'brief' is still a work in process. Two formats have been proposed; both will be used for a period of time and then a final decision made.
 - Rutland Regional PC. Hazard Mitigation Plan: The RRPC is asking for specific comments on what items we don't like. Steve will distribute the CD containing the entire 150-page plan for all to review. The Fire Department has asked if someone from RRPC could come down and explain it. Annette reported that RRPC is tied up with Irene aftermath, and will not be acting on the plan until the end of the year, so there is review time.
 - The RRPC has drafted a letter to support the revised subdivision regulations; that it carries out and implements the town plan and that it could withstand a legal challenge. The town has not received this as of yet.
 - Administrative Officer: Two individuals have expressed interest. The second person will be meeting with the PC at the next meeting. The recommendation and appointment is postponed until October.
 - The terms of two PC members will end as of November 1. The vacancies will be posted and advertised.
8. Star Lake Dam report: The 2011 State report was received; the only change described the bridge over the spillway as 'unstable'. Ron Unterman noted he kept a close eye on the lake during Irene and water never reached the bridge. As the water rose, the spillway and culvert were balanced and handled the water, until it reached the top of the walls. The bridge will be considered as part of the redesign.
9. Other Business
- Catamount Trail Association – Paul met with them at the bridge to review the town's concerns. He reported that the deck is in surprisingly good condition, but there are some loose cables at one end that need repair. The CTA will get back to the town.
 - The Board received a letter complaining about a junkyard condition on a neighboring property, and also potentially someone living on the property in an RV. The Board will contact the Health Officer to look into it. The town has a junkyard ordinance; however enforcement is difficult; the state hasn't always backed the town. Paul will look at the property and report back to the Board.
 - Cell Tower news: Via an email received by Dennis Devereux, AT&T has permits for the Stewart Rd. and Weston towers; construction is likely in 2012. Another tower developer is planning to file for a tower in Plymouth.
 - Blue Spruce news: The town has no further word on this project. The Planning Commission is sending a letter to the New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (property owner), as well as a copy of the last meeting's video. It is believed the project is still being considered and that the group plans to resubmit their proposal to the State.
10. The Board reviewed and signed the August orders for payment.
11. The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 8:22pm. The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:33pm. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm. Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers

Planning Commission meets on the third Monday of every month at 7:30 pm at the Mount Holly Town Office. Warned Public Hearings, if scheduled, usually take place prior to the regular meeting. Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and attendance is encouraged. The September 19th 2011 regular meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Chair Steven Howard. Members in attendance: Annette Lynch, Peter Smith, Tim Martin, and Dennis Deiters. Others in attendance were Lisa Kelly, Paul Nevin, Dave Ventner, and David Hoeh.

1, Minutes of previous meeting: Accepted

2, Old Business:

A, Administrative Officer – Interview and Recommendation - Lisa Kelly identified herself as a candidate for the position of administrative officer, with some familiarity regarding subdivision regulations, and experience in the Real estate industry. Chairman Howard asked Ms. Kelly (and the members of the planning commission) if she had thought about the potential for conflict of interest. Lisa Kelly admitted that she saw no potential for a situation of conflict of interest. The members also were in agreement that because the AO does not make any final decisions (they are left to the Planning Commission), conflict of interest would not be an issue. A unanimous decision was made to recommend Lisa Kelly to the Select Board, for the position of Administrative Officer.

B, Blue Spruce Inn Update – It was noted that while there has been no communication directed to the Planning Commission. The PC should with haste, send out the 2 DVD's of the public meeting re the Blue Spruce project to the Property owner and to the Department of Corrections so they can be see and hear the concerns of the participants at the meeting.

C, Disaster Management Plan – All members of the Planning Commission have received a CD from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission and other documents through Annette Lynch, regarding disaster/emergency management plans and disaster mitigation.

3, New Business: Select Board member Paul Nevin and School Board member Dave Ventner presented the Planning Commission with an older map and a newer map that showed the school property and the area that he school would be willing to lease to the Town of Mount Holly for the purpose of building a new Town Garage. Their question to the PC was if a platt of the leased land only would suffice for a subdivision platt. The planning Commission unanimously agreed that it would be acceptable. A discussion began regarding the viability of a garage on this site, traffic, noise, security, etc. Planning Commissioner Chairman, Steven Howard interrupted noting that a discussion of this type should take place in another venue, such as the subdivision hearing, as the Planning Commission can only rule on subdivisions. The Planning Commission can inform and make suggestions to a property owner, but cannot restrict usage. Chairman Nevin assured that there will be a public meeting where Townspeople will be able to ask questions and comment on their plan.

A, Building Registration Forms - 1. Norman and Melody Katrobos- 788 Lake Ninevah Rd. Shed 2. Diane Bachtell- 211 Howland Farm Rd. Addition

B, CVPS Certificate of Public Good - Additional documentation

C, Correspondence - 1. Letter from ANR re: Campbell/Mcgee boundary line adjustment 2. Letter from ANR re: Gottier waste water/potable water application and permit

D, FEMA'S Request for Assistance - Phone call to Steve Howard from FEMA requesting information re impact to the 24 identified structures in the flood plain. Planning commission will assemble and send this data to FEMA.

E, Others - David Hoeh Requested that his notes of April 18,2011 be read and entered into these minutes. With the Chairs permission Mr Hoeh read the note, reproduced here.

David C. Hoeh April 18, 2011**Mount Holly Town Garage Replacement Notes:**

Facility / structure program- Proposed building uses Site program-anticipated uses of the site:

E.g.: truck attachment storage, sand/salt storage ,and road repair asphalt preparation, guide rails, and posts, signage, firewood ,central heating unit etc.

Possible other compatible uses of the site: Transfer site, yard wastes, salvage, other? Space for the eventual location of other Town activities during the anticipated use-life of the proposed site.

Determine capital investment cycle for the proposed facilities and site use: 20,30,40,50 years?

Site location alternatives:

Determine site requirements: Access priority/ Access use flow/demand/schedules/ Access sharing/conflicts with adjacent uses/

Access characteristics: road grade, surface, entrance/exit

Site selection and alternatives analysis: Apply findings above to possible site locations

Evaluate possible alternative sites noting positive and negative characteristics of the proposed sites for the use program.

Evaluate proposed site characteristics including soils and drainage impact on adjacent uses of the proposed Town use.

Identify three alternative sites that meet the above criteria and open for public review and comment.

Comparison analysis: site availability, land cost, development cost estimate

Select a site that achieves the highest positive ranking related to the above criteria and receives public support.

The above Replacement garage notes written by David C Hoeh April 18th 2011 and duly entered into minutes of the Planning Commission Meeting Sept 19th, 2011

Note: The above minutes are scheduled for "approval" at the Next Planning Commission Meeting, which will be October 17th,2011

These minutes respectfully submitted by Planning Commissioner Recording Secretary Dennis J Deiters



Tropical Storm Irene Fundraising Effort Announced

The Ludlow Rotary Club announced it is partnering with Rotary Clubs in Vermont and New Hampshire to raise funds for the victims of Tropical Storm Irene. The Ludlow Club will have boxes at Berkshire Bank, Heritage Family Credit Union and Java Baba's for the next month as well as at the Chili Cook-off on Oct. 8 accepting donations. Other locations will be added as they are identified. The goal is to raise \$1,000 locally which will be added to similar donations from other clubs. Clubs in Canada have also agreed to participate in the effort which will qualify the effort for a Rotary International match. The overall goal is to raise \$250, 000 by contributing \$1,000 in several local communities thereby leveraging the Rotary International match.

Ludlow Rotary Club President Mary Crowley expressed her support for the effort saying, "The local effort will be multiplied many times over by involving other clubs nationally and internationally. Rotary International is very generous when clubs partner with other local and international clubs for a common cause. Our communities have such a tremendous need as a result of this storm; we are pleased to be a small part of this fundraising."

Individuals will be able to contribute at the Chili cook-off or in drop boxes that will be located around town.

Rotary is a worldwide organization of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are 33,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are nonpolitical, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. As signified by the motto Service Above Self, Rotary's main objective is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Any questions about this effort may be directed to Brigid Sullivan at 228-7878 or Kim Lampert at 228-4000.

Ludlow Rotary Club
P.O. Box 216
Ludlow, VT 05149

2011

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS**At The MOUNT HOLLY TRANSFER STATION****Saturday, October 8th, From 8 AM to NOON**

2011

The following items are typical of the household chemicals collected through the Household Hazardous Waste program. These materials may be dropped off at the scheduled event in Mount Holly or delivered to the HHW Depot at the Rutland County Solid Waste District's Gleason Road Transfer Station.

Kitchen/Bathroom

Aerosol Cans
Bug Sprays
Floor Care Products
Metal Polish
Furniture Polish
Oven Cleaners
Drain Cleaners
Bathroom Cleaners
Tile Cleaners
Disinfectants
Toilet Bowl Cleaners
Nail Polish Remover

Garage Workshop

Waste Oil
Antifreeze
Gasoline
Brake Fluid
Roofing Tar
Auto Body Repair Pro.
Automatic Trans. Fluid
Other Oils/Cleaners
Paint (Lead & Oil Based)
Paint Thinner
Paint Stripper
Varnish
Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Garden/Miscellaneous

Chemical Fertilizer
Fungicides
Herbicides
Rat Poison
Insecticides/Pesticides
Artists' Paints, Mediums
Dry Cleaning Solvents
Fiberglass Epoxy
Gun Cleaning Solvents
Moth Balls
Household Batteries
Photographic Chemicals
Pool Chemicals

MHNewsflash website

Hi Mount Holly,

<https://sites.google.com/site/mhnewsflash/>

I've been working on a Community Calendar and Website for town events and notices. I'm open to any ideas anyone has to better serve Mount Holly with links to other sites that may interest anyone interested in Mount Holly and who we are. I may do an editorial section but I don't have the rules worked out yet. So far it's open only to Non-Profit groups.....but anyone can look at it. So put the website in your favorites and check back often to see what is new. In the meanwhile I'll be looking for your feedback and thoughts. Thanks, Randy Bixby, MHNewsflash PS: I'm just learning this so please bear with me :)

**VACE Insurance Announces New Carrier And Rate Stability in 2012**

VACE insurance and the Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce are pleased to announce the negotiation of an unprecedented two-year agreement with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Vermont (BCBSVT) to provide health insurance coverage to businesses insured through the VACE program beginning on January 1, 2012. The agreement provides VACE members with the benefits of coverage currently in place through the state's only locally-based health insurer. Most importantly, it assures protection from premium increases, maintaining current premium levels for another full year and

limiting increases in 2013 (pending regulatory approval). Until the end of 2011, VACE will continue to use CIGNA as its provider for all enrolled Chamber members.

The VACE Board selected BCBSVT after an extensive review of the options available to small businesses in Vermont and unanimously agreed that BCBSVT's commitment to service, its medical cost management strategies, and its ability to assure rate stability to VACE members offered the best possible coverage. VACE Insurance and BCBSVT are extremely proud of the premium protection afforded by this agreement for small businesses.

Highlights of the VACE Insurance/Blue Cross Blue Shield Agreement

- A two-year agreement that will provide price stability and minimize anxiety over health insurance rates through 2013.
- A strong financial performance guarantee to assure the highest levels of service to VACE and its members.
- No significant changes in benefits or plan requirements and continued multiple plan selection within each company.
- Coverage through Vermont's only local health insurer, keeping VACE's administrative expense spending within the state and supporting VT jobs.
- Ease of transition: No forms to complete, no paperwork to sign, no application. As of 1/1/2012, you're in. It's just that simple!

More details about this new arrangement and plans and premiums for 2012 will be announced within the next several weeks. In the meantime, the VACE Board and staff are working with BCBSVT to ensure an efficient and seamless transition.

BINGO

MT. HOLLY VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD

October 16th, 2011

Mt. Holly Elm. School
School Street, Mt. Holly, VT

Doors Open @ 12:00 P.M.
Games Start @ 1:00 P.M.

\$20.00 for 20 games ~ 9 cards per game

CASH PRIZES
Refreshments will be on sale

Questions Contact
Vicki Seward - 802-259-2810
E-Mail - MHVRS@AOL.COM

With The Cost Of Oil Around \$3.80 And The Cost Of All Fuel Rising,

Can You Afford To Wait To Insulate Your Home?

The average Rutland County homeowner will **save an estimated average of \$947 per year** on home and utility costs based on 2010 oil prices, if they do home energy improvements.

Sign up now for a home energy audit like many of your friends and neighbors. If you decide to have a home energy audit, you will receive a very detailed report for each section of your home that gives the following information:

- observations of energy loss
- recommendations
- costs
- annual energy savings
- incentives paid by Efficiency Vermont which lowers your cost



Is this you in your house in winter?

Be warmer and save!

Once you have received your report, an Energy Advocate, an unbiased third expert, will follow up with you on the phone or in person to answer questions about the report and help you prioritize the recommendations based on your need and your budget. With this information, **YOU** decide what work you want to do.

Those of us living in Rutland County have this opportunity because NeighborWorks of Western Vermont received a grant from the US Department of Energy to start a county-wide effort to implement wide-scale energy savings. The goal is for 1,000 Rutland County homeowners to make home energy improvements by May 31, 2012.

Once work is complete, the energy expert comes out to *test-out* (no charge) your home to assure you have achieved at least a 15% improvement in the efficiency of your home. Every home that shows at least a 15% improvement and is tested out by May 31 of 2012 wins Mount Holly \$50 and counts towards Mount Holly's goal of 24 homes improved.

Once Mount Holly reaches 24 homes improved, it enters the bonus round with a chance to win one of two \$10,000 prizes. *The Town with the highest percentage of homes improved and the Town with the highest average savings in improved homes will each win \$10,000.* (Towns can only win one category). All prize money must be spent on an energy efficiency improvement in a town or school building or helping residents or businesses improve energy efficiency. In this way, helping yourself helps our town.

Help Mount Holly win \$10,000 and save approximately \$1,000 heating your home THIS winter AND have a warmer house.

If you would like to schedule a home energy audit call 802-438-2303 ext 227 or visit www.heatsquad.org. If you have any questions about this program or would like a brochure or more information, please feel free to contact NeighborWorks at 438-2303.

If you scheduled a home energy audit this year or are having some of the suggested work completed, we would appreciate it if you would call Marcy or Joan below so we can confirm Mount Holly's progress toward the \$10,000 prize. Thank you! Marcy Tanger 259-2344, Joan McCallum 259-2318, Fern Melvin, Amber Kaemmerlen, and Carol Ballou.

Star Lake Undate

Weed Control: For almost a decade the Friends of Star Lake (FOSL) has been implementing an annual program to control invasive Milfoil, and more recently, nuisance native weeds. This year we treated with the herbicide, "sonar," and the results have shown significant Milfoil knock-down, although the herbicide was-out from Irene set us back somewhat. Please remember that these and other weed control measures need to be applied annually as we work to maintain Star Lake as an open water body, recreational area, and beautiful natural habitat.

Dam Repair: FOSL has now engaged an engineering firm to work with us on this critical project. Their first task is to define the scope of work to repair the dam, the spillway and beach and shoreline areas and to identify the State and Federal agencies that will be involved. This will be a 2-3 year project and will keep you informed as we move through the process

2011 Annual Membership Drive: Our thanks to all of you who have contributed so far this year, but we're only part way there. We ask all Mt. Holly residents and friends to consider joining FOSL as we implement our new annual membership program targeted at a broader approach for Star Lake's restoration and maintenance.

Please join us as a member with your tax deductible contribution to FOSL

Annual Membership Levels (checks payable to "FOSL"):

<input type="checkbox"/> \$5 Student	<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 Family
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 Supporter	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100 Donor	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 Sponsor
<input type="checkbox"/> \$ Other		

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Ron Unterman & Dottie Finnerty, Co-chairs FOSL, A Committee of the Mt. Holly Conservation Trust, P.O. Box 85, Belmont, VT 05730 ~ 802-259-2491 ~ ron@unterman.com dottie@finnerty.us



Letter from Evening Song Farm

What a journey it's been these past few weeks for all of Vermont. In the midst of all the damage and loss our neighbors and towns have suffered from the storm, it is encouraging to see how neighbors are helping each other in this time of need.

On the morning after Tropical Storm Irene, we returned to our home to find our crops washed away and our farmland devastated beyond anything that we could have imagined. Immediately, we found ourselves held by the support of caring community, of friends and strangers whose kindness and generosity has helped carry us through the incomprehensible destruction of this cropland. This support has helped us to stay connected to the possibility of moving forward and beginning again at

building the farm. We want to express our deep gratitude for the community that we're a part of, for the kindness that we've been blessed to receive in so many ways.

Our long-term goal when we began Evening Song Farm was to create a true community farm over time: to develop deep and meaningful connections with the people who are nourished by our food, to have our needs met by community, and to give back generously with healthy and vibrant food, feeding friends and neighbors in times of need and difficulty. We had imagined that it would take years to slowly develop these connections, to develop the trust to deepen relationships and move towards that goal of interconnection and vibrant community. It turns out that resilient community is already in place and we feel lucky to have moved our farming operation here. Our goal in moving forward is to do whatever we can to make this community even stronger, more resilient, and more beautiful. We feel called to meet this goal by being vegetable farmers, and our deepest aspiration is to use the support that we're receiving to create a vegetable farm that can more fully and genuinely give back to this community. We're not sure exactly how that aspiration will take form, but one goal is to have vegetables available year round.

As we write this, we are still looking for land to grow on next year and beyond. Though we may be farming in temporary spots for next season, we hope to find land where we can more permanently move the operation to, so we are fully able to build the infrastructure that an effective farm needs. Let us know if you know of good agricultural land that would be available for sale or lease.



The Community Guild Raffle for Cider Days!!!

The Prizes:

- *Homemade Quilt by Claire Poulin*
- *Handmade Basket by Judy Nevin*
- *Lap Quilt by Barbara Harrison*
- *Purse Set by Sherriations*
- *Drawn Portrait from Your Photo by Pat LaBella*

The Particulars:

- *Drawing at Cider Days, October 9th*
- *Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5*
- *Prizes will be on display at Cider Days*
- *Call Lynn (259-2758) or Sherri (259-3800) for tickets*



Homemade Quilt by Claire Poulin



Sample drawing by Pat LaBella

We don't know exactly what the farm will look like by next spring, but we can confidently say that we will be growing vegetables for a CSA, and we'll be back at farmers' markets as well. Stay in touch with the farm's recovery at the website: www.eveningsongcsa.com.

Many farms were hit hard in Vermont and suffered crop loss from flooding. We hope you'll buy from the farms in the area that still do have product available for sale- that kind of support is still vital for farmers.

Thank you, thank you for all the generosity, encouraging words, gifts, support, well wishes, volunteer work, and all the unique ways the farm has been supported. We look forward to a future of giving back through our work.

Kara Fitzgerald and Ryan Wood-Beauchamp

NeighborWorks Can Provide Help For Homes Damaged By Irene

NeighborWorks of Western Vermont can help homeowners whose homes were damaged by Irene. Low interest loans and project management are available help homeowners pay for the repairs and help oversee the work.

A project manager visits homes to identify the scope of work with the homeowner. The project manager also develops cost estimates; and can help find reliable local contractors to make the repairs. It is important that any thing that got wet, such as drywall or insulation, is removed and replaced to prevent mold and other health issues.

The contractors are paid only after the homeowner and project manager sign off on the work. NeighborWorks of Western Vermont is a licensed lender with 25 years of local lending and construction experience. NWWVT can make loans to homeowners who may not typically qualify for loans at their bank. Income restrictions do apply.

If you have damage and are in need of assistance call today. Please pass this along to anyone you know who might be in need of assistance. (802) 438-2303 x 210

NeighborWorks of Western Vermont is a local, HUD approved nonprofit located in West Rutland, Vermont with 25 years of history in the area. NWWVT provides a variety of housing related services to low and moderate income households in Addison, Rutland, and Bennington counties. Their mission is to transform lives by promoting safe and affordable housing, focusing on sustainable homeownership. Our services develop the self reliance of individuals through pre and post purchase education, budget and credit counseling, foreclosure intervention, home rehab and energy retrofits, and technical and financial services.

After the Flood Food Safety Advisory

The Vermont Department of Health is advising gardeners to throw away any fruits and vegetables – including root crops – that have been in contact with floodwater. According to the federal Food and Drug Administration, all flood-affected crops – fruits and vegetables, above and below ground – should not be consumed, sold or given away.

Apples, pears or other high-growing fruit that were not touched by floodwater should be washed with a known safe source of water before eating.

“Any fresh produce that has been in contact with floodwaters cannot be considered safe to eat,” said Health Commissioner Harry Chen, MD. “This is a change from our earlier advisory. Because the flooding was so extensive and so forceful, there is potential for contamination that cannot be washed or disinfected away.”

Flood food safety guidance:

- Throw away ANY food that has come into contact with floodwater.
- Throw away any food that is not in a waterproof container if there is any chance that it has come into contact with floodwater. Food containers that are not waterproof include those with screw-caps, snap lids, pull tops and crimped caps. Also discard cardboard juice/milk/baby formula boxes and home canned foods if they have come in contact with floodwater because they cannot be effectively cleaned and sanitized.
- For canned goods that came into contact with floodwater, remove labels; wash thoroughly with soap and hot water. Then place in a weak bleach solution made with 1 tbsp. unscented liquid chlorine bleach for every gallon of water from a known safe source and leave for 15 minutes. Re-label with marker.
- If refrigerator and freezer doors are kept closed as much as possible during a power outage, a refrigerator will keep food cold for about four hours. A full freezer will keep the temperature for about 48 hours, a half-full freezer will keep the temperature for about 24 hours.
- Do not cook and eat meat, poultry, fish, eggs or other refrigerated foods that have been above 40 degrees F for two hours or more.
- Wash hands thoroughly with clean water and soap before and after handling food items.
- Never taste food to determine if it is safe. Some foods may look and smell fine, but if it has been at room temperature for more than two hours it can make you sick. Bacteria multiply very quickly at room temperature.
- **If you have any doubt about any food item, throw it out.**

For more information about food safety after the flood – Go to the Health Department’s website at www.healthvermont.gov, call 800-439-8550 (toll-free) or 863-7220 – or dial 2-1-1. Follow us on Twitter and join us on Facebook for up-to-date news, alerts and health information.

For Rent: In Florida – 1 bedroom Condo
Near Beaches, Golf, Malls & More
Heated Pool & Car Port, Seasonal or Yearly,
Reasonable - Call Don 802-259-2763

ROAST PORK SUPPER

OCTOBER 22, 2011

Settings 5:00 P.M. till Gone

Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont, VT

Benefit Mount Holly Vol.

Rescue Squad



Roast Pork Supper

**Mashed Potatoes, w/gravy, Veg.,
rolls, and homemade pies**

ALL YOU CAN EAT - HOME STYLE

ADULTS \$10.00

CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS \$5.00

More info Call 802-259-6001

FEMA Private Sector Contact

I am a Private Sector Liaison with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and I am here in Vermont to serve as a resource to the private sector in the aftermath of Tropical Storm Irene. I look forward to continued dialogue and information sharing while we are here in Vermont. My contact information is listed below should you need assistance.

We want to ensure that your members and employees have the information they need to apply for disaster assistance. To that end, I have included information below that you may want to post on your employee Web site or in other communications channels.

Message

- On Sept. 1, 2011, the president signed a major disaster declaration for the state of Vermont due to damage caused by Tropical Storm Irene. This declaration allows eligible families and individuals in the designated counties to receive grants to cover temporary housing and serious disaster-related needs and reimbursement for expenses not covered by insurance or other assistance programs. The designated counties for Individual Assistance are Chittenden, Rutland, Washington, Windham, Windsor, Orange, Addison and Bennington.

Those in the counties designated for assistance to affected residents and business owners can begin the disaster application process by registering online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov, by web enabled mobile device at m.fema.gov, or by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362). Disaster assistance applicants, who have a speech disability or hearing loss and use TTY, should call 1-800-462-7585 directly; for those who use 711 or Video Relay Service (VRS), call 1-800-621-3362.

Additional Information

Additional Assistance: <http://www.fema.gov/assistance/process/additional.shtm>

What to do After a Flood: http://www.fema.gov/hazard/flood/fl_after.shtm

Rebuilding Resources: <http://www.fema.gov/rebuild/recover/resources.shtm>

Fixing Flood Damage: <http://www.fema.gov/hazard/flood/coping.shtm>

Respectfully, Kysa George



Federal Assistance Available to Vermont Businesses

President Obama has approved federal disaster assistance for Vermont which makes help available for Vermont businesses affected by flooding from Tropical Storm Irene.

Businesses may be eligible for low interest thirty (30) year loans through the Small Business Administration (SBA) to assist with the cost of repairing storm damages. Rental property may also be eligible for an SBA loan if property has been damaged or destroyed and losses are not covered by insurance. (Businesses are not eligible for assistance FEMA's Individual Assistance programs.)

To apply, go to <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>, or contact the SBA Disaster Assistance Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955. You may email at disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Even if you have insurance for your business, you should file your claim right away with the SBA in case some of the damage is uninsured.

You can also access this assistance through FEMA at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362), or at www.disasterassistance.gov.

State Assistance Available to Vermont Businesses

The Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD) would like to hear from impacted businesses. The agency is documenting damage to businesses and properties (both for and non-profit businesses, including multi-family housing providers and services). This information will help Vermont receive federal assistance for recovery. Please call 802-828-3211.

The Vermont Economic Development Authority (VEDA) has emergency loan funds available for business owners. Applications may be obtained by calling 802-828-5627, or you may download a form at www.veda.org

If you are experiencing problems with your insurance company, please contact BISHCA at www.bishca.state.vt.us or 802-828-3301. For volunteer resources, clean-up information, and to connect with state agencies, call 2-1-1.

FEMA & SBA office now open in Ludlow

FEMA & SBA have officially opened an office in the Okemo Marketplace, in between Darkside and the Cool Moose Cafe. Feel free to stop in to speak with them.

Please come to the meeting on Tuesday, September 20 at 10:30am at the Cool Moose Cafe. FEMA, SBA, VtSBDC, and Tourism Commissioner Megan Smith will be on hand to answer any and all of your questions.

Note from Vermont State Police – Update

Please rebroadcast or repost this information to indicate those who suspect fraud should call LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT.

FEMA has contracted with Alltech, Inc to provide contractors who are actively inspecting homes and businesses in affected areas hit by the recent tropical storm. All inspectors should produce Alltech, Inc. Badges that were issued by FEMA. These badges will contain their name and their FEMA issued ID number.

If you have a concern regarding the legitimacy of a contractor you should contact local law enforcement.

Joint Information Center at the State Emergency Operations Center - [802-839-6717](tel:8028396717) (temporary).

Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

ANR Offers Advice for Homeowners with Failed Septic Systems *Homeowners must take steps to protect drinking supplies*

Today the Agency of Natural Resources issued guidance to homeowners about the need to take action if they have reason to believe their septic system has failed.

"Vermont homeowners and businesses served by onsite wastewater disposal systems who see wastewater on the ground must take action," said Agency of Natural Resources Secretary Deb Markowitz. "Improperly treated wastewater is a risk to human health, both through direct exposure and by entering and contaminating water supplies."

"Many wastewater systems will properly function once the water recedes, while other systems will require repair or replacement," said Ernie Christianson, program manager for the Wastewater Management Division of the Department of Environmental Conservation. "Call our regional offices for help."

The Wastewater Management Division has five regional offices that can provide assistance and answer questions about wastewater systems, water supplies and the permitting process. The new guidelines advise anyone who has an onsite sewage system to take the following actions if they find wastewater above ground:

1. Contact your town health officer. Your town office can provide you with the appropriate name and phone number.
2. Anyone who has a wastewater system that continues to have surfacing of household waste after the water recedes should take steps to prevent people and animals from entering the contaminated area.
3. As much as possible, take steps to prevent surfacing wastewater from flowing toward wells or off your property.
4. If you have a pump station as part of your household system, do not immediately pump the wastewater from the septic tank until it is known that the water table has dropped to an acceptable depth. An elevated groundwater table may cause an empty tank to collapse or shift in the ground.
5. Hydrated lime (also known as calcium hydroxide) may be applied to help disinfect the area. Lime is caustic so you must follow the instructions, wear rubber boots, gloves, goggles, and other protective clothing, and prevent people and animals from exposure.
6. Contact your ANR regional office and staff will assist you through the process of replacing the failed wastewater system and will provide information on how to obtain a permit if one is needed. Contact information can be found at

<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/staff.htm#regional>

7. A licensed designer will need to design the wastewater system if the failed system needs reconstruction or replacing. Licensed designers who are professional engineers may be found in the phone book or on the Vermont Secretary of State website at:

<https://secure.vtprofessionals.org/roster/default.asp>

Licensed designers who are not professional engineers are sorted by county at

<http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/ST/SiteTechList.pdf>

8. A guidance document about the general process for determining whether a wastewater system requires reconstruction or replacement may be found at: <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/dec/ww/protection/Guidance2011-Guidancefor%20WWCollectionTreatment&DisposalSystemDamagedbyFlooding.pdf>

Safe Drinking Water After the Flood

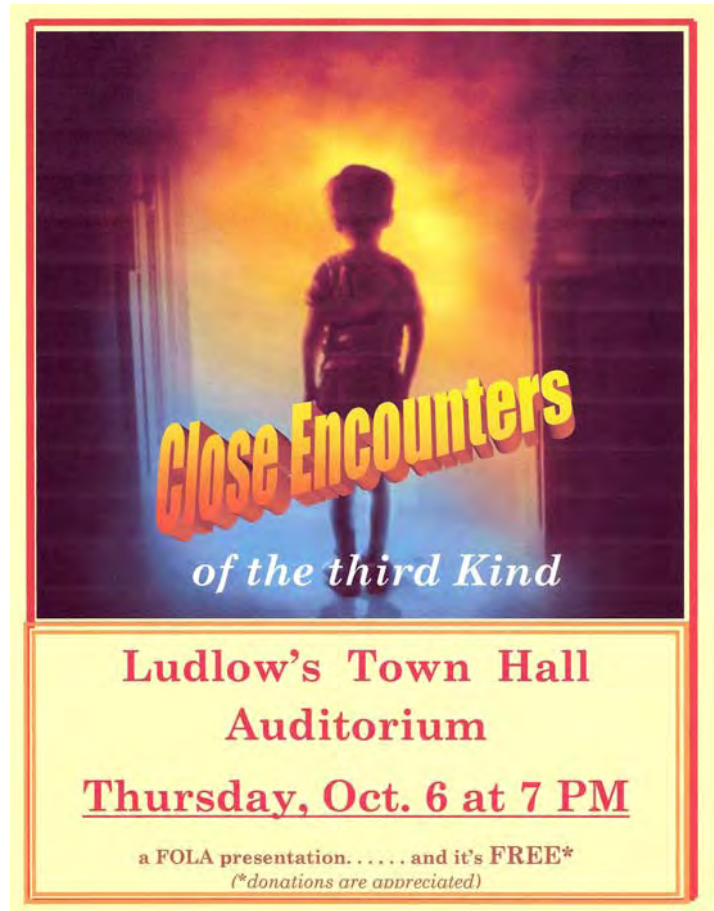
Private drinking wells that were subject to flooding should be tested for bacterial contamination. Contact your Health Department district office or town health officer for a free test kit and disinfection instructions. Until a test confirms that your water is safe, boil water for one minute before use in drinking, cooking, making juice or ice, washing fruits and vegetables and brushing teeth. This also applies to water that is dispensed by a refrigerator system. Shower with caution. Avoid getting water in eyes, mouth and wounds. Do not allow children to swallow bath water if on a boil-water notice.

Residents who get their drinking water from a public system should look for boil water or other instructions put out by their own system.

If there is a smell of petroleum or fuel, do not use water at all for cooking, bathing or washing. Use bottled water or water from a known safe source. Call the Health Department's drinking water program at [1-800-439-8550](tel:1-800-439-8550) for consultation and testing information.

For more information about drinking water safety and health concerns after a flood, go to the Health Department's website at <http://healthvermont.gov/enviro/water/flood.aspx>

For more information about flood clean up and mitigation and to download a copy of the new guidelines, visit the flood page on the ANR website at <http://www.anr.state.vt.us/site/html/flood.htm>





Ludlow Town, BRAM, FOLA Sponsor Free Civil War Tribute by Renowned Pianist

Three Ludlow groups - the Town of Ludlow, Black River Academy Museum, and FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium), have made arrangements to celebrate Vermont's 150th anniversary of its involvement in the Civil War with a free piano concert by renowned pianist, Jacqueline Schwab, famous for her work in providing music for a number of Ken Burns' epic PBS series, including both the Civil War and Mark Twain. The concert is scheduled for October 9 at 6:30 PM at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium. Jacqueline's solo piano concert at the Ludlow Auditorium will feature vintage American music, to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Town of Ludlow's involvement in the Civil War. She will perform music from Mark Twain's era (1835-1910) and beyond—Stephen Foster and Civil War song tunes, Victorian ballroom dance tunes, Scots and Irish songs and dance tunes brought over by settlers, hymns and spirituals, ragtime, plus 20th-century tango and Billie Holiday blues (as well as Celtic and English traditional music in a contemporary style). Jacqueline's arrangements of

American heart songs honor the community and improvisational spirit of music making reported in Twain's times. In Ken Burns' words, "Jacqueline Schwab brings more feeling and intensity to music than anyone I know. Her playing is insistent, physical, heartfelt and ... unusually moving." Drawing on classical, traditional folk and contemporary music roots, pianist Jacqueline Schwab has been heard on a dozen of Burns' documentaries, including his Grammy award-winning *Civil War*, his Emmy award-winning *Baseball*, *Lewis and Clark*, *Mark Twain*, *The War*, his recently-premiered *The National Parks: America's Best Idea* and his recently-premiered *Tenth Inning* to his *Baseball* series. Jacqueline's latest project for Ken Burns will be his upcoming documentary on the Dust Bowl. She has also been heard on other PBS documentaries, including *The Irish in America* and Ric Burns' *New York: A Documentary Film*. The *New England Folk Almanac* wrote she plays with "the jazz/classical improvisational spirit of Keith Jarrett and the touch of George Winston" She has performed at the White House for President Clinton (celebrating Burns' *Lewis and Clark* series) and also, with singer Jean Redpath, on Minnesota Public Radio's *A Prairie Home Companion* (in St. Paul) and CBS' *Late Show with David Letterman* (on May 21, 2009).

Fletcher Farm School For The Arts & Crafts Fall Class Schedule

The Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts which are located at 611 Route 103 South in Ludlow, Vermont, has begun its fall season of course offerings. The classes scheduled for the months of October and November are:

October 8 & 9: Copper & Bronze PMC (precious metal clay) with Lisel Crowley, Working with Birch Bark with Thomas Mowatt

October 15 & 16: Solar Plate Print Making with Roger Hydnman

October 15: Pretty & Practical Packaging with Erica Martin

October 16: Painted Bird Houses with Sue Covella

October 22 & 23: Pen & Ink Mixed Media with Don Hofer

October 22: Harvest Baskets with Judy Nevin

October 23: Ribbonwork Pins with Cynthia Emerlye

October 29 & 30: Fall Landscape in Watercolor with Robert O'Brien ~ Stained Glass with Barbara Klumb

November 5 & 6: Marbling Scarves with Deb Gile ~ Soapmaking, Scrubs, Salts & Balms with Ericka Martin

November 12: Felted Holiday Characters with Jane MacKugler ~ Felted Wool Flowers with Denise Peniston

November 13: Charming Memories Bracelet with Sally Mack ~ Holiday Card Extravaganza with Ericka Martin

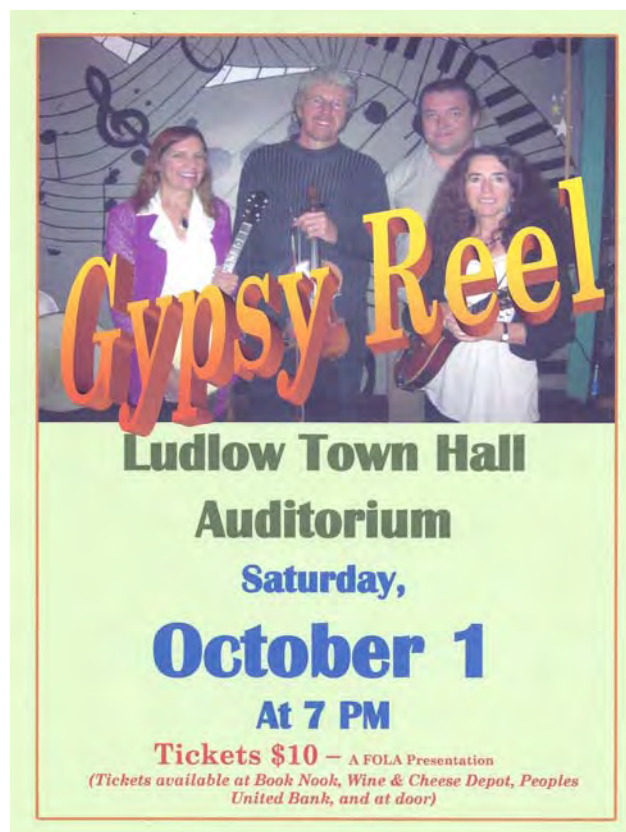
November 19 & 20: Sterling Silver Fabrication for the Holidays with Harold Bosco

November 19: Wreaths Galore with Carolyn Scott

November 20: Felted a Peace Dove with Sue Carey

Additional information on these classes may be obtained through: info@fletcherfarm.org or by calling the school at 802-228-8770

The Society of Vermont Artists and Craftsmen Craft Shoppe will remain open daily October 1 through the 10th. And the Holiday Shoppe will open after Thanksgiving in the Meadowview Room which is located adjacent the main office area.



we're open for business, our leaves are turning, our roads are accessible and to come live, work and play with us in the Okemo Valley.

We're helping businesses and residents alike by providing hands on assistance through FEMA, SBA, VtSBDC, Veda. Thanks to FEMA/SBA for opening an office in the Okemo Marketplace in Ludlow.

Our 2012 "Women of Okemo Valley Calendar" reveal party was a great success!

All calendar 'girls' were 'revealed' and on hand to sign their month. Ron Utterman from Mount Holly led an auction of selected items worn from each calendar shoot. Calendars can be purchased for \$20 at participating businesses and will be available online on the chambers website

www.yourplaceinvermont.com. Portion of proceeds to benefit VT/NH Susan G Komen Race for the Cure for breast cancer.

We moved our Chamber Golf Tournament to October 6 because of the rain last week. We hope to attract more participants since this is now a charity event to help our local communities. Contact Mary Knight of Knight Tubs to participate 228-2260.

Our next mixer is October 12 at Berkshire Bank in Ludlow from 5:30-7:30pm.

Our next Coffee with the Chamber is scheduled for October 24 at the Brant House in Weston at 8am. This is free and open to the public. The Chamber wants to share with each community what we're doing and find out what resources we can bring to each community that we serve. Please join us.

Be sure to check our extensive calendar of

events on our website. October promises to be an extremely busy month in all our communities! September Chamber Corner by Marji Graf

Fall foliage is upon us. The Governor promises one of the best fall foliage seasons on record. I'll hold him to it!

The Chamber has put together several videos that are on facebook, linkedin, twitter, Yankee.com. Aired on television stations Ipcvt, Outside tv, Connecticut marketplace and the Big E in Springfield, that promotes

 Special Events Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium		
Saturday, Oct 1 @ 7 PM		Gypsy Reel Tickets - \$10 (available at Book Nook, Wine & Cheese Depot, Peoples United Bank, and at the door)
Sunday, Oct 9 @ 6:30 PM	Jacqueline Schwab, Piano Concert "Music of the Civil War And Mark Twain Era" Event Free	
Thursday, Oct 20 @ 7 PM		Vermont Healthcare Forum Moderated by Stewart Ledbetter Event Free
Friday, Nov. 4 @ 7 PM	"Old Enough to Know Better" 9 Comedy skits on the Human Condition! Event Free	
Friday, Dec. 16 @ 7 PM		A Community Christmas Celebration Event Free

Second Annual "The Greener Mountains" Event Set for November 5, 2011

Seeking Exhibitors for Rutland Region's "Green Home Show"

Rutland Economic Development Corporation is very excited to announce its second annual "The Greener Mountains" event. We invite you to be an exhibitor at the region's resource for Greener Living from learning about high efficiency appliances to renewable energy.

"The Greener Mountains" invites community members and businesses alike to discover how "Green" can improve homes and businesses. This "Green Home Show" will take place on Saturday, November 5, 2011 at the Holiday Inn in Rutland, Vermont.

"The Greener Mountains" is seeking a wide variety of "Green" exhibitors. These can include home improvement, appliances, automotive, home heating options, energy efficiency, new technologies, service providers and local food programs to name a few. The day will also include: workshops presented by Rutland Regional Planning Commission geared toward benefits for the home and business; children's activities; and much more.

If you would like to become an exhibitor or sponsor of "The Greener Mountains", please contact Mary Kay Skaza or Terri Carrington at 802-773-9147 or visit www.rutlandeconomy.com.

Thank you to our sponsors: Rutland Regional Planning Commission and Casella Waste Management with additional support from Sustainable Rutland, The Bus, SolarFest, Rutland Area Farm and Food Link, Holiday Inn and Rutland Herald.

REDC is a private, not-for-profit whose mission is to encourage and enhance business success in Rutland County. It offers assistance in areas such as financing, site location, business expansion, business recruitment, business counseling by the Small Business Development Center (VtSBDC), and more.

RAVNAH FOOT CLINIC SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2011

The Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice offers our community a valuable service by providing numerous Blood Pressure and Foot Care clinics throughout the county each month. There is a suggested donation of **\$2.00 for blood pressure screenings** and **\$5.00 for foot care**. The following calendar lists the blood pressure and foot care clinics for **October 2011**.

Day	Date	Town	Site	Time
Wednesday	10/5/11	Wallingford	Wallingford House	10:30 am
Thursday	10/6/11	Rutland	Parker House	10:00 am
Thursday	10/6/11	Rutland	Bardwell House	12:30 pm
Wednesday	10/26/11	Rutland	Godnick Center	12:30 pm



Got Cholesterol?

The Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) offers a total lipid profile along with a comprehensive cholesterol and glucose screening on the **first Wednesday of each month**. Screenings will be held at the **RAVNAH office** on 7 Albert Cree Drive, in Rutland on **Wednesday, October 5** beginning at **8:30am**. Please **call in advance** for an appointment at **775-0568**. The total lipid profile is a group of tests to determine risk of coronary heart disease. The blood glucose test screens for diabetes. The **complete lipid profile requires an 8-12 hour fast prior** to the test to ensure accurate results. **The cost for a Complete Lipid Profile and Glucose is \$30.00.**



Be Wise. Immunize!

RAVNAH Public Flu and Pneumonia Clinics

Date	Location		Time
Wed. 10/19	Rutland	Godnick Adult Center	11:30 – 2:30p.m.
Tue. 10/25	Killington	Sherburne United Church	9a.m. - 12p.m.
Thur. 10/27	W. Rutland	St. Bridget's Church	9a.m. - 12p.m.

For those enrolled in Medicare B or carry Managed Medicare, just bring your card to receive your flu or pneumonia vaccine. For all others, the cost for the flu immunization is \$33, the high-dose flu vaccine is \$55 and the cost for the pneumonia vaccine is \$65. Mastercard, Visa, American Express are accepted.



Childbirth Education Classes

Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) in partnership with Rutland Regional Medical Center offers Childbirth Education Classes for Parents and Parents-to-be. Learn how to be prepared for childbirth. Classes are held at RAVNAH and include a tour of the Women's & Children's Unit at Rutland Regional Medical Center. One couple in every class will win a car seat at a drawing at the end of the class. For an application and more information call 802.770.1502 or visit www.ravnah.org.

Information For Seniors

Information & assistance for older adults (age 60+) living in Rutland and Bennington counties is easily accessible by calling the Senior HelpLine at the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging. Callers are connected to a real person who can answer questions on a variety of programs and services: transportation, housing, home care, meals on wheels, Medicare and Medicare D, prescription assistance, care-giver supports, financial assistance, assisted living, senior groups, recreation, etc. This is a free service of the Council on Aging, a non-profit agency serving Seniors and their families since 1974. Contact the Senior HelpLine at 802-786-5991 or 1-800-642-5119; <mailto:seniorhelpline@svcoa.org>, www.svcoa.org; seniorhelpline@svcoa.org.



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Mount Holly Chit Chat Inc., 3379 Shunpike Rd., Mount Holly, VT 05758

Dear Chit Chat Reader,

The Mount Holly Chit Chat, a membership organization, has been incorporated as a non-profit organization in the State of Vermont, dedicated to providing all members of the Mount Holly community with information on Town events and issues. Membership is open to anyone who lives in, works in, or owns property in Mount Holly and who has made an annual membership donation. Membership donations help bring the Chit Chat to you every month. I do not wish to receive the Chit Chat check here _____

Donation amount \$ _____ Tax Deductible

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The Mt. Holly Chit Chat has Federal tax exempt status.

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